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EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	T
In re CHRISTINE PERSAUD,	: Chapter 7 : Case No. 10-44815 (ESS)
Debtor.	: :
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AFFRIMATION OF AURORA CASSIRER IN RESPONSE TO THE FURTHER OBJECTION OF ABRAHAM KLEIN TO THE TRUSTEE'S APPLICATION TO RETAIN TROUTMAN SANDERS LLP

TO THE HONORABLE ELIZABETH S. STONG UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

AURORA CASSIRER, an attorney admitted to the bar of the State of New York, affirms as follows:

- 1. I am a member of the firm of Troutman Sanders LLP ("Troutman"), and serve as managing partner of the firm's New York office. I make this affirmation in reply to the further objection of Abraham Klein to the firm's retention as substitute counsel to the Trustee.
- 2. In his papers, Mr. Klein questions the ability of my partner, John Campo, to speak to the facts concerning Troutman Sanders' representation of Global Realty Ventures, LLC ("GRV"), an entity in which Mr. Klein has an interest. I was Mr. Campo's source of information concerning this prior representation, and I can confirm that the information Mr. Campo has provided to the Court is accurate.
- 3. Although I am familiar with the firm's prior representation of GRV, Mr. Klein overstates my involvement with that project when he describes me as the "point person" on that matter. I am a litigator, and I lacked the expertise to assist GRV with the legal issues associated with a business venture in China. Accordingly, my partner, Edward Epstein of our Shanghai office, along with a former Troutman associate, Tian Wang, performed all of the legal services 1463652v1

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that Troutman provided to GRV. Although these two attorneys apparently copied me as a

courtesy on some of their correspondence with GRV, I never performed any substantive legal

work on the matter, never billed any time to the client in connection with the prior

representation, and never became privy to any confidential information.

4 Moreover, I am certainly not aware of any confidential information obtained in

the course of the firm's representation of GRV or, in fact, any information that would have any

bearing or relevance to the firm's proposed representation of the Trustee in this case. Mr.

Epstein, the partner who did the legal work for GRV, will not have any involvement in this

bankruptcy case, and, although we do not believe it is necessary, we will put in place an "ethical

wall" so the persons representing the Trustee will have no contact with Mr. Epstein concerning

the bankruptcy case or the prior representation of GRV. Mr. Wang, the associate who worked on

the GRV matter, has left the firm, so he obviously will not be involved in the bankruptcy

representation.

Dated: New York, New York September 7, 2011

s/Aurora Cassirer

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